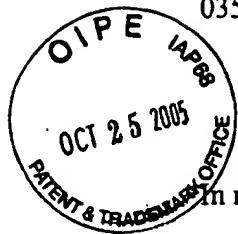


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.